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My dear Steptoe,

In reply to your letter of 31st May, 1937, I have to inform you that Hugh Gilmer, British subject, aged 38, arrived in Shanghai from Japan on board the s.s. "Fushima Maru" on May 17, 1937. Accompanied by a Japanese he is believed to have visited the Oriental Hotel (Sincere's), 690 Nanking Road, where he remained for a few hours and then left stating that he was leaving Shanghai immediately. His destination and the identity of the Japanese who accompanied him are unknown.

On his alien declaration form, Gilmer stated that he was visiting Shanghai as a tourist and that he would remain in China for two or three weeks. His passport number was given as British A. 161913 issued in Sydney, N.S.W. on June 5, 1935, and visaed in Melbourne, Vic., on September 19, 1935.

*Enclosed 46*  
*USA* Gilmer's photograph is returned herewith.

Yours sincerely,

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